BEFORE

THE PUBLIC SERVICE COMMISSION OF

SOUTH CAROLINA

DOCKET NO. 2008-297-E - ORDER NO. 2008-703

OCTOBER 15, 2008

IN RE: Joint Application of Duke Energy Carolinas, LLC and Broad River Electric Cooperative, Inc. for Reassignment of Service Area in Spartanburg County ORDER APPROVINGREASSIGNMENT OFSERVICE TERRITORY IN

SPARTANBURG

COUNTY

Pursuant to S.C. Code Ann. §§ 58-27-650 (Supp. 2007) and 58-27-660 (Supp. 2007), this matter comes before the Public Service Commission of South Carolina ("Commission") on the joint application of Duke Energy Carolinas, LLC ("Duke") and Broad River Electric Cooperative, Inc. ("Broad River") for reassignment of service area in Spartanburg County, South Carolina. Under the authority of the Territorial Assignment Act, S.C. Code Ann. § 58-27-610 *et seq.*, both Duke and Broad River have been granted assigned territories over an area that contains a proposed assisted living community known as Ashlan Village and a residential development known as Westchester, resulting in confusion as to which company should serve each location. The companies have reached an agreement on this issue and request the Commission's approval to avoid duplication of facilities.

According to the agreement, the companies propose reassigning Duke's service area in Westchester to Broad River and reassigning Broad River's service area located in Ashlan Village to Duke. The companies state that neither currently have existing

customers or facilities in these locations, but both are capable of providing adequate and dependable electricity to these areas should the Commission approve the application. The companies also state that no other electric supplier would be affected by the proposed change, and it is in the public interest to approve the application. To this end, notice of this proposal was published in several local newspapers, but no interested persons have protested or attempted to intervene.

We agree with Duke and Broad River that this reassignment of territories is in the public interest. Additionally, we find that that the reassignment of these service territories meets the requirements of and complies with S.C. Code Ann. §§ 58-27-650 (Supp. 2007) and 58-27-660 (Supp. 2007). The Office of Regulatory Staff has not objected to the change.

IT IS THEREFORE ORDERED:

- 1. Duke Energy Carolinas, LLC's service area in Westchester is reassigned to Broad River Electric Cooperative, Inc.
- 2. Broad River Electric Cooperative, Inc.'s service area located in Ashlan Village is reassigned to Duke Energy Carolina, LLC.

3. This Order shall remain in full force and effect until further order of the Commission.

BY ORDER OF THE COMMISSION:

Elizabeth B. Fleming, Chairman

ATTEST:

John E. Howard, Vice Chairman

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